(e) if not, the status thereof, case-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) to (e) The Guwahati Office of the National Commission for Scheduled Castes (NCSC), on receipt of a complaint in regard to securing job by a non- Scheduled Caste member, in Defence Estates Office at Guwahati, enquired into it and found that an employee of Barpeta District, Assam, did not belong to Scheduled Caste and produced fake/forged certificate in securing Government job. The Guwahati Office of the NCSC took up the matter through the concerned District Authority. The Deputy Commissioner, Barpeta District, got the matter enquired and intimated the Guwahati Office that the employee does not belong to Scheduled Caste and accordingly the caste certificate produced by him has been cancelled. The Guwahati Office in September, 2005, accordingly took up the matter with his appointing authority *i.e.* the Principal Director of Defence Estates, Eastern Command, Kolkata and the Director General of Defence Estates, New Delhi, as well as State Government authorities. As per available information, the Director General of Defence Estates is yet to take final action in the matter.

Grants to voluntary organisations

2294. SHRI SHREEGOPAL VYAS: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether proposals have been received from Chhattisgarh for grants to voluntary organizations for rehabilitation of disabled persons, integrated programme for the old age people and prevention of alcoholism and misuse of drugs;

(b) the status of their disposal at present; and

(c) by when the balance amount would be released?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) During 2008-09, this Ministry has received 14 grant-in-aid proposals for rehabilitation of disabled persons; 9 proposals for prevention of alcoholism and drug abuse and 12 proposals under integrated programme for older persons from Government of Chhattisgarh.

(b) and (c) Grant-in-aid has been released in one case pertaining to prevention of alcoholism and drug abuse. The sanction of grants depends upon their suitability; completion of relevant documents, fulfillment of norms as per schemes and availability of funds.

Scholarships to SC students

†2295. SHRI KRISHAN LAL BALMIKI:
SHRI LALIT KISHORE CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of scholarship being given to pre-matric, post-matric, residential and day-boarding children of scavengers, cobblers and dyers and such other students belonging to Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes, giving the details thereof separately;

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.